

MCDHH E-News: May 6, 2022

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For the first time ever, Kansas Relay and The Whole Person will be hosting Deaf Cultural Day at Sporting Kansas City. There will be a big tent set up outside the stadium (inside the perimeter of the stadium area) for folks to mingle and hang out 2 hours before the game starts. We are looking to have about 20 vendors at the event, if you are interested in being one, please reach out to myself and Micki Keck. There's no cost to being a vendor. If you would like to contribute to the event, please contact me directly. We will continue to advertise this event on the Kansas Relay Facebook page, Instagram, Eblast, and Kansas City Deaf/Hard of Hearing page on Facebook. [Click here,](#)

Upcoming Public Meeting:

MCDHH Commission

Meeting – June 9

Lohman's Landing Building

100 Jefferson St., JC MO

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SHOW ME SUMMIT ON AGING & HEALTH 2022 We Are BETTER TOGETHER! SHOW ME SUMMIT ON AGING & HEALTH 2022 September 12-14, Kansas City, MO www.ma4web.org Missouri Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Age Positive Present the JOINT 17th Show Me Summit and the 7th Age Positive Conference September 12-14 | Fully in person at the Intercontinental Kansas City on the Plaza. For more information, click here:

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Missouri Interpreter Conference –

The 2022 **Don't Limit Your Challenges. Challenge Your Limits** conference will be held October 7 -9, 2022 at the Tan Tar A Lake Resort - "Margaritaville". MCDHH is excited to announce the keynote speaker, Maricar Marquez. Ms. Marquez is a DeafBlind supervisor of the Independent Living Department at the Helen Keller National Center for DeafBlind Youths and Adults (HKNC) in Sands

Point, NY. Meet the planning team: Eric Driskill, Al Alvord, Molly O'Hara, Heidi Rich, Sara Collins, Taylor Ofori and the MCDHH staff. Watch for the conference mailer coming out soon.

CREST (Cultivating Research & Equity in Sign-Related Technology) Network is looking for distinguished professionals in the sign language technology field to give presentations about their work as part of our CREST Talks series. Lecturers will be compensated financially. All on our end.

This is a fantastic opportunity for those seeking a platform to share knowledge and experience! Interested? Know someone who would be perfect for this? Please email us for more details at

crest@gallaudet.edu! Be sure to check out our website here: [CREST Network](#) Also subscribe to our io.groups so you are in the know of current happenings in the sign language technology field!

Overcoming Barriers in the Healthcare Field Using Technology - Check out some incredible technology that has made the medical field more accessible for students wanting to pursue careers in medicine. These devices allow students to overcome many barriers in the journey to become a physician! Click here to learn more [Barriers in Healthcare](#)

Gallaudet University IRB Approval needs participants for a study on a novel ASL-based measure of cognitive functioning. To participate: scan QR code or click [Study Flyer.pdf](#) to access study description and to complete eligibility screening or contact Erin Timperlake – Primary Researcher ASLCogStudy@gallaudet.edu

MOCIL I.L. Summit – May 24, 2022 at the Branson Convention Center & Hilton of Branson. This program will increase your knowledge of programs and services

for individuals with disabilities through 30 breakout sessions, 2 keynote general sessions and an opening day session that will discuss non-profit board of director's policies, governance models, recruiting board members and much more. Please join us.

Community Announcement

Talk To Someone Now - If you're thinking about suicide, are worried about a friend or loved one, or would like emotional support, the Lifeline network is available 24/7 across the United States.

- DCL: 321-800-3323 (deaf crisis line)
- DDH: 800-985-5990 (disaster distress helpline VP)
- Text: Type "HAND" to 839863